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ARRL DX BULLETIN NR 41 (ARLD041) 10/13/89

THANKS TO K1XM, THE SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND DX ASSOCIATION AND THE YANKEE CLIPPER CONTEST CLUB FOR THE FOLLOWING DX INFORMATION.

MONGOLIA. JT0DX WILL BE LEAVING SOON. THEY HABEEN OPERATING CW ON 20, 15 AND 10 BETWEEN 20 AND 30 KHZ FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE BAND, AND HAVE ALSO BEEN REPORTED ON THE LOWER BANDS, INCLUDING 75 METER PHONE. QSL IS TO HA6KNB.

SOLOMONS. OH4ML/H44 HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVE. HE IS ON 28007 AT 2300 Th0200Z, AND ALSO AROUND 1200Z, WORKABLE FROM THE EAST COAST. HE HAS ALSO BEEN ACTIVE AROUND 7007 AND 3507 KHZ FROM 1000 TO 1100Z. ON PHONE HE HAS BEEN HANGING AROUND 28555 KHZ. QSL VIA HIS HOME CALL.

NORTH COOK. ZK1CQ HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVE ON 3505, 7005 AND 1832 KHZ FROM 0700 TO 1100Z OR LATER. HE HAS ALSO BEEN ON 20, 15 AND 10 ON 14025, 21025 AND 28025 KHZ. HE WILL RETUR=~ SOUTH COOK ON OCTOBER 21ST TO 23RD AND THEN WILL BE GOING HOME OCTOBER 24. QSL TO ZL1AM0.

IRAQ. YI1BGD HAS BEEN ON 10 METERS BETWEEN 1100 AND 1500Z ALMOST DAILY. THE FREQUENCY IS BETWEEN 28500 AND 28600 KHZ. THEY ARE ALSO ACTIVE AROUND 28023 KKZ ON RTTY.

EAST MALAYSIA. 9M2AX AND JA5DQH WILL BE ACTIVE AS 9M8AX FROM OCTOBER 30 THROUGH NOVEMBER 7. LOOK ON 1826 OR 1832 KHZ AND ON 3505, 7005, 14025, 021025 AND 28025 KHZ AS WELL AS WARC BANDS. JA5DQH WILL OPERATE PHONE DURING THE CQ WW SSB CONTEST. QSL THE OPERATION TO JA5DQH.

MORE EAST MALAYSIA. A GROUP OF FIVE OPERATORS, N200, K8CW, KA8TKB, WB2KXA AND KB2XSE ARE PLANNING AN OPERATION. THEY EXPECT TO BE ON 9M6BS FROM NOVEMBER 16 THROUGH 23. QSL VIA N200. AFTER THAT, FROM NOVEMBER 24 THROUGH 27, THEY WILL OPERATE FROM V85 IF POSSIBLE AND NOVEMBER 28 THROUGH DECEMBER 2 THEY WILL BE ON FROM VS6 VAND XX9. THE XX9 CALLS ARE UNKNOWN. IN VS6, IT WILL BE HOME CALLS PORTABLE. THEY PLAN OPERATION ON CW, SSB AND RTTY.

ST. MARTIN. KC1F AND N1AU WILL BE ACTIVE FROM OCTOBER 22 THROUGH 31, INCLUDING THE CQ WW CONTEST. CALLSIGNS WILL PROBABLY BE PJ1F AND PJ7/N1AU. QSL TO KC1F.

ZONE 23. RT0Y/UA9YX AND RT0Y/UA9YZ ARE ACTIVE FROM CQ ZONE 23 ON 10, 15, AND 20 METERS AND ALSO WILL TRY 40 METERS AND RTTY. THEY ARE EXPECTED TO BE THERE APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS.

QSL NOTE. K4AF IS NOT THE QSL MANAGER FOR 5X7AF. AR

Date: 13 Oct 89 23:51:25 GMT
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Subject: MFJ 1024 Active Antenna?

I've been thinking about buying an MFJ 1024 active (receive only) antenna to mount on top of the engineering building here in order to bring in some signals to use in labs on RTTY and FAX circuitry.

Currently we have no antenna facilities, and at least for the present large antenna installations are not possible. The MFJ can be remotely mounted (comes with 50 ' of coax with the external mount kit), and is broad band - 50kHZ to 30 Mhz.

I'd be interested in anyone's opinion of this equipment... how sensitive, how resistant to noise, etc etc etc...

Please either E-Mail me or post here (I *READ* this newsgroup!)

Many thanks & 73's

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:: SWEDEN CALLING DXERS ::
:: from Radio Sweden ::
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Shortwave and other electronic media news from Radio Sweden.

This week's bulletin was written by Ingemar Sandberg.

Electronic Edition edited by George Wood.

Packet Radio BID SCDX2064

ELECTRONIC MEDIA SUMMIT--Today's English edition of SCDX features an interview about the First World Electronic Media Summit, held last week in Geneva. We'll return to the summit in an upcoming program.

SATELLITES--One of the transponders on France's TDF-1 direct broadcast satellite has broken down. That means that one of the two France Inter radio channels using the satellite is off the air, the program called Hector. The other program, Victor, is still heard.

So far the satellite only has one TV service, La Sept, which is still on the air. The other allocated TV services, Canal Plus in French and German, Sport 2/3, Canal Enfants, and Euromusique, are still negotiating their contracts, and they are using the breakdown to try to lower the price.

France Inter says Hector will return to the air when TDF-2 is launched in February.

On the other hand, Germany's two direct broadcast satellites, Kopernicus and TV SAT-2, are now in service. Between them the two satellites have 17 TV channels at their disposal.

Twelve are on Kopernicus, which is now seen as a powerful competitor to

Astra, and some of the German channels expected to appear on Astra have chosen Kopernicus instead. These all use the PAL system, and there are 12 GHz transponders for Pro 7, Tele 5, WDR, BR 3, and DSR. In the more common 11 GHz band you can find RTL Plus, ARD 1 Plus, 3 Sat, and Sat 1. One channel is reserved for digital radio, one for telephone traffic between the Federal Republic and West Berlin, and two for the fast communication of data.

Four of TV Sat-2's 5 transponders have been allocated, to RTL Plus, Sat 1, 3 Sat, and ARD 1 Plus. So there's a bit of duplication there. And almost all of the Kopernicus channels are also on Intelsat V F-15, at least for the time being. They'll probably disappear from there in the future. (BBC Monitoring and "Elektronikvaerlden")

ASCENSION ISLAND--At the end of September the BBC brought two new transmitters into operation on the South Atlantic island of Ascension in order to give better reception in Africa and Latin America. The GBP 1 million development is part of a GBP 100 million scheme to raise the World Service's audience, estimated at 120 million. ("The Daily Telegraph" via Bradley Allen, England).

CANADA--Radio Canada International broadcasts in English to Western Europe: Mondays-Fridays: 06:15-06:30 and 06:45-07:00 on 6050, 7155, 9740 and 11840 kHz via Daventry in the U.K. and from Sackville on 6150 and 9760 kHz. (French is at 06:00 and 06:30 hrs.) Mondays-Fridays at 19:30-20:00 on 5995, and 7235 kHz via Daventry and 11945, 15325 and 17875 kHz via Sackville. Daily at 22:00-23:00 on 11945 and 15325 kHz via Sackville. (Anthony Barrett, England)

FINLAND--Radio Finland has not verified a listener report since 1980. But now there's a chance to get a special QSL card. The Helsinki DX Listeners Association is presenting a special 60 minute program, to be heard this Saturday, October 14th, at 11:00 hrs. This will be on 6130 kHz, and will mostly be in English, and partly in Spanish. This is a special transmission, outside the regular Radio Finland programming. (Juhani Niinistroe, Radio Finland)

WEST GERMANY--Transmissions in Polish from Deutschlandfunk between 19:00 and 19:30 and in Czech and Slovak between 19:30 and 20:30 are broadcast via the SSB feeder from Frankfurt am Main on 7917.5 kHz besides the usual medium wave frequency of 1539 kHz. (Peter Herrmann, West Germany)

Radio Free Europe in Romanian is broadcast via the SSB feeder from Holzkirchen on 5125 and 5295 kHz between 19:55 and 22:55. (Peter Herrmann)

GUAM--Trans World Radio (KTWR) broadcasts in English to Africa since October 1st at 16:00-17:00 on 11805 kHz. The station has also increased Russian language programming effective October 1st: Current schedule lists 08:30-09:00 on 11665 kHz and 11:00-12:00 on 11805 kHz. "Pacific

"DX Magazine" is on the air on Saturdays at 10:00 to Australia on 11805 kHz, to India at 15:15 on 11650 kHz and on Sundays at 08:45 on 15210 kHz to the Far East. (Bill Damick, "Pacific DX Magazine", Guam)

IRAN--The Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran broadcasts to Europe as follows: English at 19:30-20:30 on 9022 and 11895 kHz; French 06:30-07:30 on 9022, 9745 and 15084 kHz and 18:45-19:30 on 9022 and 11895 kHz; and German 18:00-18:45 on 9022 and 11895 kHz. (Cees van Oudheusden, Netherlands)

ISRAEL--The Voice of Peace is a popular offshore pirate station operated by peace activist Abie Nathan near Tel Aviv. Last week an Israeli judge sentenced Abie Nathan to 6 months in prison for meeting with Yasser Arafat and other leaders of the Palestine Liberation Movement. He is the first Israeli to be jailed under what Reuters describes as a much-flouted anti-terrorism law banning unauthorized contacts with the PLO. (Reuter)

ITALY--The English programs from Adventist World Radio, Forli have been extended to one hour while the broadcasts in French only lasts for half an hour. The current schedule reads: 06:30-07:30 in English on 7125 kHz. All other broadcasts are on 7257 kHz, namely: 07:30-08:00 French, 08:00-09:00 Italian, 09:00-10:00 German, 10:30-11:30 English, 11:30-12:00 French, 12:00-13:00 Italian and 13:00-14:00 German. (Salvatore Placanica, Italy)

JAPAN--Radio Japan in English at 21:00 uses 11765 kHz instead of 11800. The transmission at 01:00 is on 17775 kHz instead of 17825. (Ashoka Patel, India)

KUWAIT--Radio Kuwait uses the unannounced frequency of 21675 kHz during the English broadcast around 18:30. 11665 kHz is in parallel. (Bengt Johansson, Portugal)

NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS--KYOI has been off the air for some time being upgraded and rebuilt. When it returns to the air at the end of October it will have a new call sign: KHBI - HBI standing for Herald Broadcasting International. Herald Broadcasting is the Radio and Television branch of the Christian Science Monitor, which also owns WCSN in Maine, and WSHB in South Carolina. (Robert Day, England, Cees van Oudheusden and Salvatore Placanica)

The German program from KFBS is broadcast on Sundays at 15:30 on 9465 kHz. (Gerd Wedemeyer, West Germany)

PAKISTAN--English from Radio Pakistan at 17:18-18:00 is on 11570 and 15200 kHz. (Cees van Oudheusden and Salvatore Placanica)

PARAGUAY--A verification letter from Radio Nacional indicates that the station still uses the frequency of 9735 kHz. (Arthur Cushen's DX World)

SYRIA--Radio Damascus has added Portuguese to its Latin American service: at 00:30 on 12085 and 15095 kHz. (Pasquale Salemme, Italy)

TAIWAN/USA--There is a frequency change concerning the Voice of Free China's broadcasts in French at 20:00 and German at 21:00: 15270 kHz replaces 9785 kHz which comes direct from Taiwan. Remaining unchanged are from Taiwan on 9765 and 11860 kHz and from WYFR in Florida on 15345 and 17612.5 kHz (Andreas Kruppert, West Germany)

The Voice of Free China via WYFR is heard at 05:00 in Chinese and at 07:00 in English on the new frequency of 5950 replacing 5985 kHz. The English schedule is announced: 02:00-03:00 and 03:00-04:00 on 5950, 9680, 15345, 11765 and 7455 kHz; 02:00-03:00 on 11860 and 11740 kHz; 03:00-04:00 on 11745 kHz; and 22:00-23:00 on 9955, 15345, 17612 and 15370 kHz. The latter frequency is intended for Australia and New Zealand. (Arthur Cushen's DX World and Ciro Capotorto, Italy)

UNITED KINGDOM--The London commercial station LBC is being reorganised: "London Talkback Radio" consisting of discussion programs, will be broadcast on 1152 kHz medium wave. "LBC Crown FM" on 97.3 MHz FM will carry continuous news. (Bradley Allen and John Barker, England)

Radio City in Liverpool is introducing an all-talk format "City Talk" to go out only on medium wave 1548 kHz. (Bradley Allen)

UNITED STATES--WHSB has recently made a couple of frequency changes: the transmission at 08:00 to Australia uses 13760 kHz instead of 17855 and the 20:00 transmission to North America and Europe uses 15225 instead of 15390 kHz. (Salvatore Placanica)

USSR--The Soviet Baltics republics are starting to assert themselves, and Radio Vilnius in Lithuania has a new English schedule, reported on CompuServe by Robert Horvitz and Gifford Mead. Broadcasts to Europe are at 09:30 hrs on 666 and 6100 kHz. At 10:00 hrs these frequencies are joined by 7400, 11790, 13645, and 15455 kHz.

Programs to North America are at 23:00-23:30 hrs on 9610, 11675, 15180, 17665, and 17690 kHz. (Robert Horvitz and Gifford Mead via CompuServe)

Radio Moscow's home service programs as well as their World Service are broadcast over several SSB feeders. During the time period 17:00-20:00 the Radio Moscow World Service can be heard on 8122, 9210 and 16250 kHz. The "Mayak" program on 9250, 18195, 18460 and 18870 kHz. The 3rd home service program is heard on 14437 kHz. Other home service programs go out on 9145, 10995 and 16020 kHz. (Peter Herrmann)

Sweden Calling DXers is the world's oldest radio program for shortwave listeners. Radio Sweden has presented this round-up of radio news, features, and interviews on Tuesdays since 1948. RS broadcasts to North America:

15:30 hrs on 17880 and 21610 kHz
02:30 hrs on 9695 and 11705 kHz

To Europe, Africa, and the Middle East:

15:30 hrs on 21655 kHz (East Africa)
18:00 hrs on 1179, 6065, and 7265 kHz
21:00 hrs on 1179, 9655 and 11705 kHz
23:00 hrs on 1179 kHz
00:00 hrs on 1179 kHz

And to Asia and the Pacific:

12:30 hrs on 15190, 17740, and 21570 kHz
14:00 hrs on 11905 and 17740 kHz
01:00 hrs on 7225 and 9640 kHz

The Radio Sweden schedule to Europe can be found on Sky Channel's teletext Service, Sky Text, on page 496.

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We welcome comments and suggestions about the electronic edition, Sweden Calling DXers, and our programs in general.

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Good Listening!

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